## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 23, 1861.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Gwin made the following

## REPORT.

[To accompany bill S. 546.]

The Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, to whom was referred the memorial of Dexter R. Crocker, praying compensation for transporting the mail from Canyonville, Oregon, to Yreka, California, respectfully report:

That the memorialist performed semi-monthly service in transporting the mail on route No. 5046, from Canyonville, Oregon, to Yreka, California, from April 24, 1853, to November of the same year, a period of about eight months, for which service he has never been paid.

It appears from satisfactory evidence before the committee that the service was performed by the memorialist at unusual expense and considerable risk of life, as it was during the period of the disturbance known as the Rogue river war, and his risks and expenses were con-

sequently much increased on that account.

It is apparent that, although the contract under which the petitioner carried the mail was annulled, as it appears in evidence, yet the interest of the Post Office Department demanded the service, and it is deemed proper, therefore, that he should be fairly compensated for his faithful performance of the same.

Your committee, after a careful examination of the case, are of opinion that the petitioner is entitled to the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for the services rendered by him during the time specified; the contract price for the year's service being two thousand dollars.

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